



PALESA
MAKETETSA

1. Please tell Us more about Yourself?

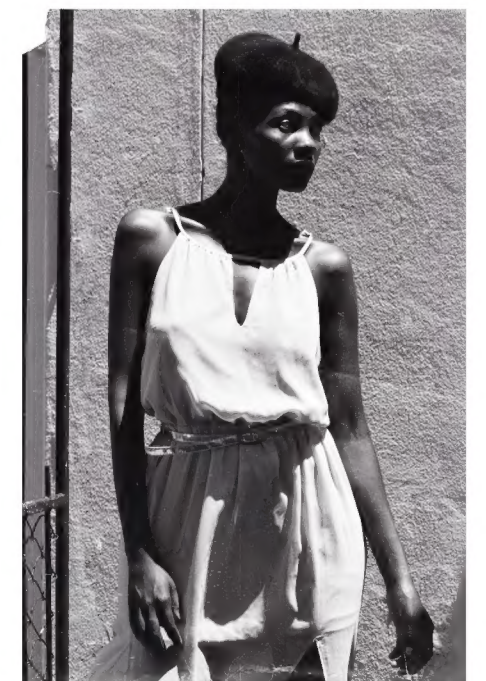
My name is **Palesa Maketetsa**, I am 23 years old, growing up, I always loved modelling, I had an inspiration as I was growing up because my favorite modeler is **Refilwe Leteka**, I always looked up to Her and I so wish I could become like Her. I never thought that I'd come this far because I thought this career path was all about fashion only

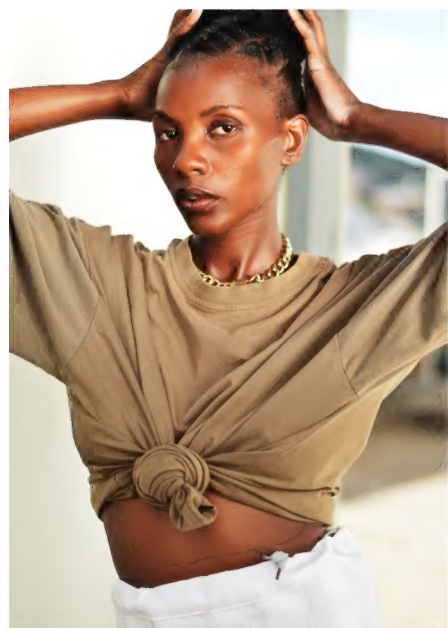
and being famous but is also having the passion and love for it.

2. How and when did you get into modelling?

It was in 2023 when this passion for modelling started. What makes Me unique in this modelling industry is that I am the one who started taking myself pictures and I would post them on Facebook and other social media

platforms. People would complement Me and that's when I knew I was made for this, that's when I met Refilwe and She had a shoot at some point with **Thabo Desmond** that's when She asked Me to join Her, that alone indicated to Me that this is what I was made for. He is one of the best photographers and He





inspired Me to become a real modeler. That's when I knew that being in this business is one of those right choices I've ever made.

3. Which modeling category are You mostly interested in and why?

It'll be **commercial** modelling category, because is all about different looks, body shapes and sizes, it is all about You and being able to be your own girl.



4. Which one is more appealing to You, being an independent creative or being under a modelling agency and why do you feel like so?

I want to be under an agency, reason being I want to work in different places and my name to be known worldwide. I also would like to earn a living from it because working for different companies and agencies has it's financial benefits.

5. Name a few local models and photographers that you also look up to?

Bongani Skeewis, **Marius Saunders** and **Vuyo Coley** are my local photographers and **Rethabile Rathokoa** and **Palesa Sebapala** are my favorite local models. They inspire Me to become better each day.



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6. Have You ever worked with any of these creatives that You've just mentioned and how was your experience?

I have worked with **Marius Saunders** and **Bongani Skeewis**, I enjoyed working with them both but the one who gives Me more confidence would be **Bongani**.

7. Which other talents do you have?

I am a soccer player.

8. Who are the most important people in Your life and why?

My **Mother** because She has always been there for Me and She supports Me in every step of the way. My friend, Her name is **Galaletsang Phenyane** because she always lifts Me up with great advice when I feel like giving up and gives Me the confidence I need to become the best version of myself. My **sister** is one of those great people I have

around Me who gives Me support that I need to push through in life. **Thabo Desmond** if it wasn't for You I wouldn't be where I am today.

9. Identify the most common problem we have in South Africa and how can We as young people try to solve it.

Rape is one of the huge criminal activities we have in the country and I feel that is our job as young people to try to educate people on ways to lower it's rate, one of the ways to do so is for Us ladies to continue respecting ourselves by how we dress in public places... I think that alone is going to be very beneficial towards solving the problem.

Article:
Palesa Maketetsa

photography:
Marius Saunders
and **Thabo Desmond**

Graphics: **Thabo Desmond**

Shoe: 4
Dress size: 25
Eye color: Brown
Hair color: Black

Height: 157 cm
Bust: 81 cm
waist: 64 cm
Hip: 96 cm

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